THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, HELD ITS REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2006 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING.

**PRESENT:** Anthony B. Toran, President, Chas Hunter, Matt Denison, Coronel Mike Mills, Code Enforcement Officer Pam Badger, Deputy Fire Chief Stanley Mason, Street Dept Director Chuck Simons, City Clerk Marcey Wisman, Flood Control Director Ron Granger, Building Commissioner Ron Hartman, Controller Kay Garry, and Animal Shelter Director David Hall.

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Mr. Toran called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Item #1 - Wendell Roark re: dumpster permit 1700 block of Florence

**Mr. Roark** requested a permit to park a dumpster in the 1700 block of Florence today and tomorrow while he cleans out a house that he has in the area.

Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Denison second, all voted in favor.

**Mr. Toran** reported that they have a right of way encroachment with Indiana American Water Co. as part of Mt. Tabor Rd. Construction project to be signed.

Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Denison second, all voted in favor.

**Mr. Toran** asked Ms. Badger to check out the alley behind 1601 through 1607 Ekin Avenue. He reported that he received a message that there is a large trash problem and that a dog has been abandoned in that area as well.

**Mr. Hunter** brought up the issue with the 10 foot alley on Reno and the problems with that area. He asked Mr. Simons if they had followed up on it.

**Mr. Simons** stated that he has looked at that and it is a real problem and that the woman that came before the board about a neighbor encroaching on her property is because of a tree that sticks out about 4-5 foot and didn't know if they were allowed to cut the tree back

**Mr. Toran** asked if there was anything they needed to do to trim the tree back.

**Ms. Wisman** reported that she thought they could cut anything that hangs over into the city right-of-way.

**Mrs. Badger** stated that she is currently working on this problem on Ekin.

**Mr. Hall** reported that they received a call about the dog this morning and they have already picked it up.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the issues in this neighborhood.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### Item #1 - Brett Sofie re: Street Cut at Reflection Ridge

Mr. Toran stated that this item has been given to the Commissioners to deal with.

## **COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:**

**Ms. Wisman** reported that she has been seeing a large number of gang tags being painted on houses in the S. Ellen Jones area and on the corner of 8<sup>th</sup> and Oak Street.

**Mr. Hunter** said that is something that they may want to bring to the attention of the Police Chief.

**Colonel Mills** said he hadn't noticed any increase in activity in that area but that he would inform the Chief.

**David Hall** reported that the Commissioners are addressing an animal ordinance for the council that will cover the city.

**Mr. Simons** reported that he had received a quote on the salt brine system which was the cheapest they have received for \$6,550.50. It would be used to lay brine on the hills, the intersections, and heavily traveled streets. He also stated that it would be in place and ready to go by mid-January.

Mr. Denison made a motion to approve the request for the brine system, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

**Mr. Toran** received a call that there is debris on the sidewalk by Holy Trinity Church which he believes it is the responsibility of the cemetery.

# **COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:**

# **BIDS**:

Milling:

Mr. Denison made a motion to approve the milling only to Gohmann Asphalt, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

Paving:

Mr. Denison made a motion to approve Mac Construction for paving only, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Approval on Board of Works minutes for November 21 and December 12, 2006

Mr. Denison moved to approve the minutes, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

## **ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to go before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony B. Toran, President Board of Public Works & Safety Marcey Wisman, City Clerk Civil City of New Albany, Indiana